Chapter 3 On-Line Resources

Alzheimer's Association

www.alz.org

Nonprofit organization provides support, education, training and resources for families and caregivers affected by Alzheimer's and related disorders.

AARP

www.aarp.org

Nationwide advocacy organization for people aged 50 and older. Information and educational resources on an extensive range of subjects, ranging from long-term health care to consumer fraud.

Better Business Bureau www.bbb.org

Provides reports on business and charities, helps resolve consumer complaints, and provides consumer counseling.

California Adult Protective Services www.dss.cahwnet.gov/cdssweb

State mandated program charged with investigating situations involving elder and dependent adults who are reported to be in danger due to abuse, neglect, exploitation, or hazardous or unsafe living conditions.

California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform

www.canhr.org

Information and advocacy for nursing home residents and their families, including detailed facility profiles at **www.nursinghomeguide.org**.

California Department of Aging www.aging.state.ca.us

Administers a broad base of home and community based services throughout California working with Area Agencies on Aging that serve seniors and people with disabilities. Also works with public and nonprofit agencies throughout the state.

California Department of Justice, Bureau of Medi-Cal Fraud and Elder Abuse www.aq.ca.gov/bmfea/

Provides information on a wide variety of elder topics, links to numerous other relevant sites, and contains contact and reporting information.

California Department of Justice, Crime and Violence Prevention Center www.safestate.org

Provides community outreach information and technical assistance in the development of prevention programs which address such issues as elder abuse, domestic violence, child abuse and drug abuse.

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Eldercare Locator www.elder.org

Nationwide information and resource center for seniors and caregivers.

Long-Term Care Ombudsman www.aging.state. ca.us/html/programs/ombudsman.htm

Trained individuals who advocate for the protection and rights of all residents of 24-hour long-term care facilities. The primary responsibility of the

Ombudsman program is to investigate and resolve complaints made by, or on behalf of, individual residents.

National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse www.preventelderabuse.org

Association of researchers, medical practitioners and advocates dedicated to the safety and security of the elderly. Serves as the nation's clearinghouse on information and materials on elder abuse and neglect.

National Family Caregivers' Association www.nfcacares.org

Grassroots organization dedicated to improving life for family caregivers, or those caring for loved ones with a chronic illness or disability.

National Hispanic Council on Aging www.nhcoa.org

Provides information on issues critical to Latino seniors, including those pertaining to health, income, education, employment and housing.

National Institute on Aging www.nia.nih.gov

Information and consumer information on health and research advances in aging issues.

National Senior Citizens' Law Center www.nsclc.org

Provides information for elder and dependent adults on such issues as Medicare, Medi-Cal, SSI and pensions.

Nursing Home Compare www.medicare.gov

Site designed to help individuals choose a nursing home, includes comprehensive

inspection results for all nursing homes.

